COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

AN INVESTIGATION OF THE JOHNS CREEK GAS AND WATER COMPANY

CASE NO. 90-050

ORDER

On March 12, 1990, the Commission initiated this proceeding to determine the status and condition of the gas distribution system operating under the name of "Johns Creek Gas and Water Company." The Commission ordered that the owner of the system, Ms. Betty Music, appear before the Commission to show cause why she should not be subject to the penalties of KRS 278.990 for her alleged failure to comply with provisions of KRS Chapter 278 and why this gas distribution system should not be ordered to cease operation.

The Commission has since learned of Ms. Music's death and has been unable to locate the successor to her interest in the gas distribution system. Given the serious nature of the allegations contained in the Commission Staff Inspection Report, the Commission finds that these proceedings should continue and that a public hearing should be held in this matter.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. A hearing in this matter shall be held on June 8, 1990, at 9:00 a.m., Eastern Daylight Time, in Hearing Room No. 1 of the Commission's offices at 730 Schenkel Lane, Frankfort, Kentucky,

for the purpose of determining whether the gas distribution system known as the Johns Creek Gas and Water Company should be declared abandoned or, in the alternative, be ordered to cease operations and whether, in either event, Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. should be ordered to provide direct gas service to the system's present customers.

2. Notice of this proceeding shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the county where the said gas distribution system is located.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 24th day of May, 1990.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

For the Commission

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